National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences

2077. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gamma Knife has been acquired by the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences, Bangalore;

(b) if so, the number of neuro surgeries proposed to be done per year with the above knife;

(c) the cost of the above Gamma Unit; and

(d) whether it has been installed and if not, by when it would be installed?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Mental Diseases

2078. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of people in the country who have been afflicted by mental health diseases indicating the mentally retarded, neurotic and psychologically afflicted people;

(b) the Budget provision made for helping the people afflicted with the above mental health diseases; and

(c) whether enough trained personnel and institutions equipped with all facilities are available to deal with such people?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Community surveys of mental disorders carried out in different parts of the country during the past two to three decades have shown that about 1% of the population suffers from a serious mental disorder such as psychotic disorders and 0.5% of the population may be in need of active treatment for a serious mental disorder. It is estimated that about 5% of the population suffers from various psychological disorders such as depression, neurotic, stress related and adjustment disorders. Between the age group of 4 to 16 years,